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THE SIZE AND SHAPE OF PARTICLES

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Please enter this Preliminary Amendment, in the above-identified application.

Attached is a document showing the amendments to the claims.

No fee for this Preliminary Amendment is required. After entry of this Preliminary Amendment, the total number of independent claims in the application is four, and the number of total claims is eight.

Applicant requests that the application be examined as amended.

Respectfully submitted,

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